

CORNWALL RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION



CORNWALL

v.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

at

REDRUTH

SATURDAY, 8th DECEMBER, 1962

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

SIXPENCE

OUR VISITORS from GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Once again it is our pleasure to welcome the Players, Officials and Committee-men of the Gloucestershire R.F.U. In a sense this is an unexpected pleasure as, in the ordinary course, having entertained them here in Cornwall last year we should not have had this pleasure again until next year but this year is something of a special occasion.

Only four weeks ago we were enjoying their hospitality in Bristol both before and after that memorable game on the Memorial Ground. Our visit to Gloucestershire on 10th November will long be remembered by those of us who were privileged to travel as much for the warmth of the welcome which we received as for the excellence of the Rugby which we witnessed there. We hope, notwithstanding that the arrangements have had to be made in something of a hurry, that the Gloucestershire party will enjoy their visit to us as much as we have enjoyed our visit to them.

The game against Gloucestershire at Bristol was one of the finest County Championship matches we have seen for many years. Following that match the Gloucestershire Selectors made six changes in their team to play Devon. Six changes which, by all accounts, make the team which we shall meet today considerably stronger than that which we met at Bristol. In particular, the new half back combination and the changes in the pack seem to have earned them the unstinted praise of the critics. This "new look" in the Gloucestershire team enabled them to turn the tables on Devon and score a convincing win by 14 points to nil.

We do not forget that Devon defeated us by nine points to six in the first match of the season but we shall not let this daunt us in our encounter with Gloucestershire today. Since 1946 we have played Gloucestershire on seventeen occasions. Three of these games were drawn and, of the rest, each County has won seven times. There are now only three points difference between us in the totals of points which we have scored against each other — Gloucestershire having in these seventeen games scored three points more than Cornwall. From this will be seen that over the years we are closely matched and we have no doubt but that today's game will live up to the high standard which we have come to expect from our encounters with Gloucestershire.

Once again they are captained by Peter Ford who is well known to many Rugby supporters in Cornwall and there are five players in today's selected side who have visited us before. To them, as well as to the newcomers, we extend a very hearty welcome and hope that they will enjoy this "unaccustomed" visit to us.



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CORNWALL

(15) **R. W. HOSEN** (Penryn & Northampton)

(11) **D. H. PROUT** (Redruth)

(12) **J. GLOVER** (Penzance-Newlyn & Bristol)

(13) **G. R. HARVEY** (Hornets & Bristol Univ.)

(14) **G. G. LUKE** (Penzance-Newlyn)

(10)*†**R. A. W. SHARP** (Redruth and Wasps)

(9) **P. J. B. MICHELL** (Penzance-Newlyn)

(1) **C. R. JOHNS** (Redruth)

(2) **W. K. ABRAHAMS** (Redruth)

(3) **R. BUCKINGHAM** (Camborne)

(4) **J. ALLEN** (Camborne & Cwll Constabulary)

(5) **D. J. S. MANN** (Penzance-Newlyn & Bristol)

(6) **A. C. THOMAS** (Falmouth)

(8) **R. GLAZSHER** (Plymouth Albion)

(7) **P. E. McGOVAN** (Redruth)

Touch Judge :

N. J. SEDGMAN (C.R.O.R.S.)

* Captain

Full Backs

Three-quarters

Right - Wing - Left

Right - Centre - Left

Left - Centre - Right

Left - Wing - Right

Half Backs

Stand Off

Scrum

Forwards

Prop

Hooker

Prop

Second Row

Second Row

Blind Side

Lock

Open Side

Referee :

J. BURGUM (North Midlands)

KICK-OFF : 2.45 p.m.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

P. J. COLSTON (Bristol)

(1)

M. COLLINS (Bristol)

(5)

L. D. WATTS (Bristol)

(4)

J. BAYLISS (Gloucester)

(3)

J. HAMPTON (Lydney)

(2)

J. N. BLAKE (Bristol)

(6)

T. C. WINTLE (Lydney & St. Mary's Hosp.) (7)

K. WILSON (Gloucester)

(8)

J. D. THORNE (Bristol)

(9)

B. A. DOVEY (Lydney & Rosslyn Park)

(10)

D. E. J. WATT (Bristol)

(11)

B. A. HUDSON (Gloucester)

(12)

***P. FORD** (Gloucester)

(13)

D. W. NEATE (Bristol)

(14)

D. SMITH (Gloucester)

(15)

Touch Judge :

T. DAY (G.R.F.U.)

† International

**A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF
GLOUCESTERSHIRE RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION**

"To live or not to live" — that is the reason for our visit to the Duchy today. This triple play-off has made it possible to visit our friends in Cornwall "out of season". Last year we played you at Camborne, today at Redruth, and no doubt next season again at Redruth. It's a hard life !

Nevertheless, we appreciate the wonderful hospitality we always receive from your Committee. The conversation with the people of St. Ives, where we reside, is most welcome for they are masters of the art of gamesmanship. Peter Ford and the rest of our team expect, this afternoon, a warm, but fair reception from the rugger men of Cornwall. You play your Rugby seriously and in the manly manner. We, too, are determined to show Devon our victory was not a fluke when we replay them in Gloucester on December 29th !

Whatever the final result of this triple play-off, the ultimate winner is assured of the united support of the South-West in the quest for County Championship honours.

This hurried match with its multiplicity of arrangements, could only have been accomplished by the harmonious working of our two County Secretaries, Alan Barbary and Syd Grant. We appreciate Cornwall's assistance with our hotel and travel arrangements. Additionally I would like to thank my own Team Secretary, Mr. David Walter. He has done a grand job of work with our team. Never has a man applied more thought, enthusiasm and interest in Gloucestershire's progress than Dai. But then it is easily explained, he is another Celt.

May today's match be an expression of all that is finest in West Country Rugby

TED PARFITT,
President G.R.F.U.

TODAY'S MATCH

Today's match is crucially important to both Counties as the winner will play Devon in the Final play-off to decide the leadership of the South-Western Division of the County Championship Competition. In 1904-05 there was a triple tie between Cornwall, Devon and Somerset. We defeated Somerset and drew with Devon against whom we lost in a second replay. In 1907-08 and 1908-09 and again in 1937-38 we tied with Devon and Gloucestershire as we have this year. On each occasion we defeated both opponents and went on to the Final of the County Championship. In 1937-38 we drew the bye into the second replay. Gloucester played and lost to Devon and we beat Devon and so won the Division.

Gloucestershire are relying upon the team which, with six changes from the side which we defeated at Bristol, defeated Devon a fortnight ago. Clearly these changes paid dividends and we do not under-estimate their strength today.

Cornwall pins its faith on the same team as defeated Gloucestershire at Bristol and Somerset at Falmouth. Many — not least the players themselves — will take great confidence from this and we can expect to see them play even better today.

There are those who think that, because we defeated Gloucestershire Away we shall necessarily do so at Home. This is dangerous thinking! Both sides have everything to gain and nothing to lose. Neither side can afford to make mistakes. Each side has players capable of exploiting such mistakes to their full, and of turning defeat into victory. Neither players nor spectators should let up until the final whistle has blown!

We must win this match today if we are to go forward in the County Championship Competition.

Once again we say "Thank You" to our supporters here today for the support for which you are so widely renowned and upon which our team places so great a store. We need those extra points which your vocal encouragement can induce, so, from kick-off to full-time whether our fortunes shine or wain —

CHEER LIKE MAD — FOR CORNWALL !

We offer our congratulations to Richard Sharp, Roger Hosen, "Bonzo" Johns, Paddy McGovan and Arthur Thomas of the Cornwall team and to Ken Wilson of Gloucester on their selection for the First England Trial. We are justly proud of them and we hope that each will gain an England Cap this year.

Rugby Football Union
COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION
South-Western Division

				Points		
	W.	D.	L.	For	Agnst.	Points
Cornwall ...	2	0	1	39	15	4
Gloucestershire ...	2	0	1	25	14	4
Devon ...	2	0	1	17	25	4
Somerset ...	0	0	3	14	41	0

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